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CHIP
POWERFUL (?) ANCIENT SPIRIT

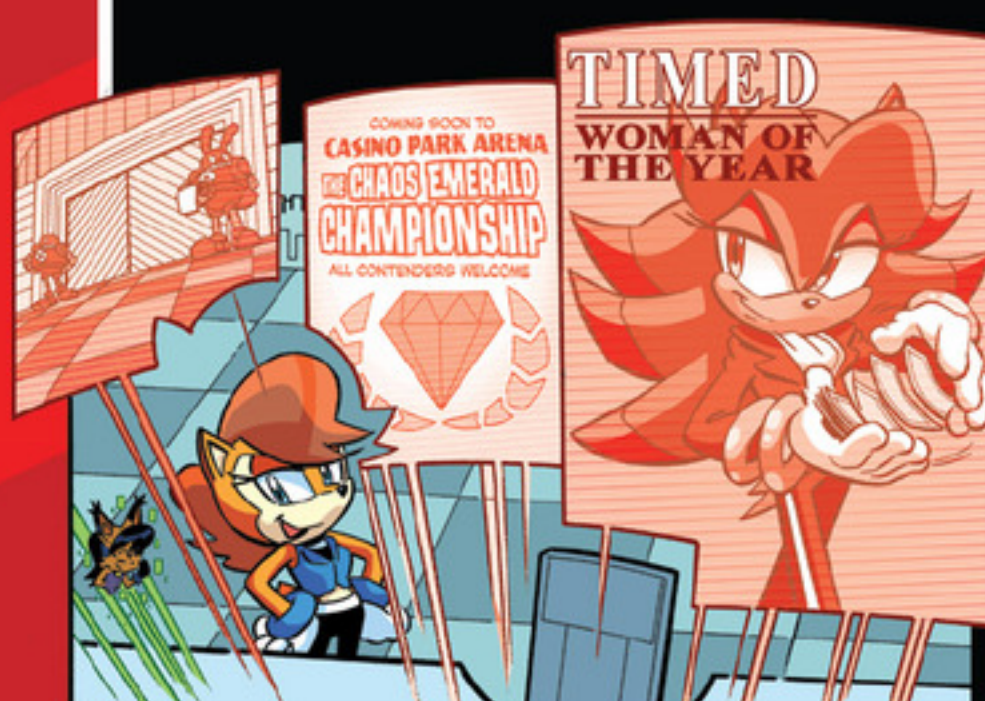


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THE HEDGEHOG**
"LEGIT" BUSINESS WOMAN

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THE HEDGEHOG

PREVIOUSLY...



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EGG ZONE--
YEARS AGO...

YOW!

WHERE'D
YOU COME
FROM?!

BREEZIE
THE
HEDGEHOG
SONIC'S
"RESCUED"
COMPANION

SONIC
THE
HEDGEHOG
FASTEST
THING
ALIVE

SILVER
SONIC
PROTOTYPE
VERSION

CLANG!

CHAMPIONS

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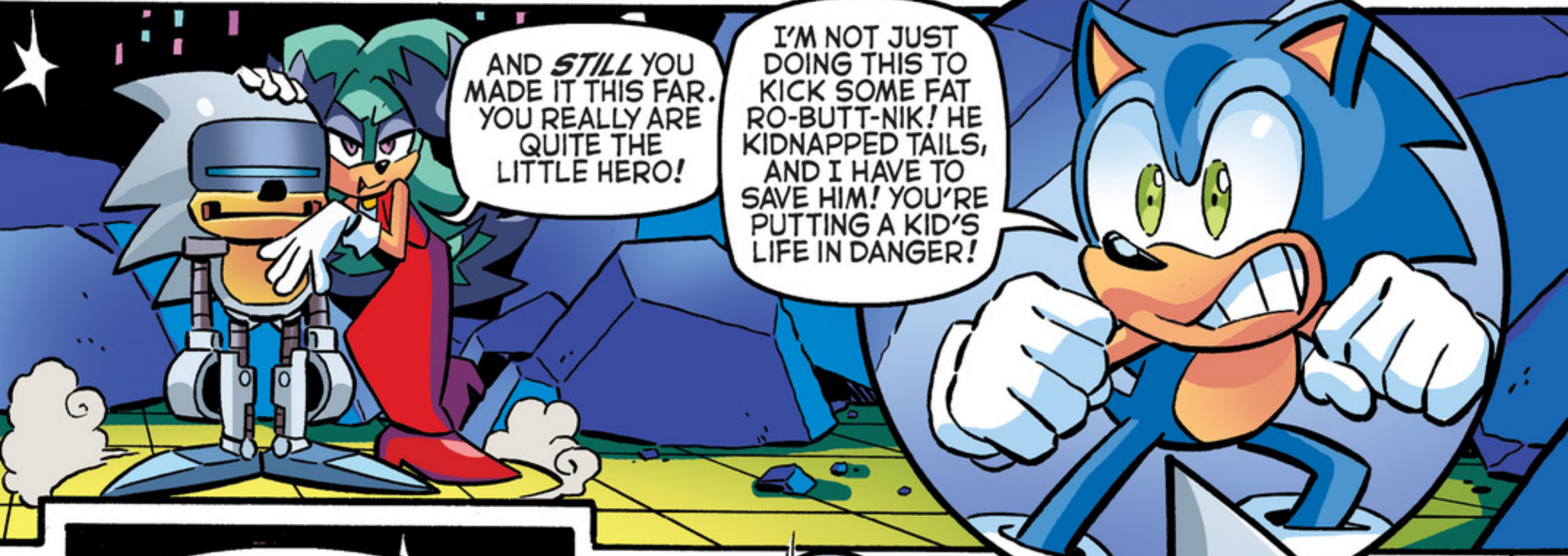
SPECIAL THANKS TO: TYLER HAM AND ANTHONY GACCIONE AT SEGA LICENSING



I DON'T GET IT! DOCTOR EGG-MAN HAS HAD SUPER BADNIKS WAITING FOR US AT EVERY TURN AS WE CROSSED THE ISLAND!

BECAUSE I'VE BEEN FEEDING HIM INTEL SINCE YOU "RESCUED" ME, SWEETIE.

HOW DOES HE KNOW WHERE WE ARE?!



AND *STILL* YOU MADE IT THIS FAR. YOU REALLY ARE QUITE THE LITTLE HERO!

I'M NOT JUST DOING THIS TO KICK SOME FAT RO-BUTT-NIK! HE KIDNAPPED TAILS, AND I HAVE TO SAVE HIM! YOU'RE PUTTING A KID'S LIFE IN DANGER!



SORRY, BUT *MY* LIFE COMES FIRST. AND, AFTER HELPING THE DOCTOR, I'LL *NEVER* WORRY WHERE MY NEXT MEAL IS COMING FROM, *NEVER* WORRY ABOUT WHETHER I'LL SLEEP INDOORS AGAIN...

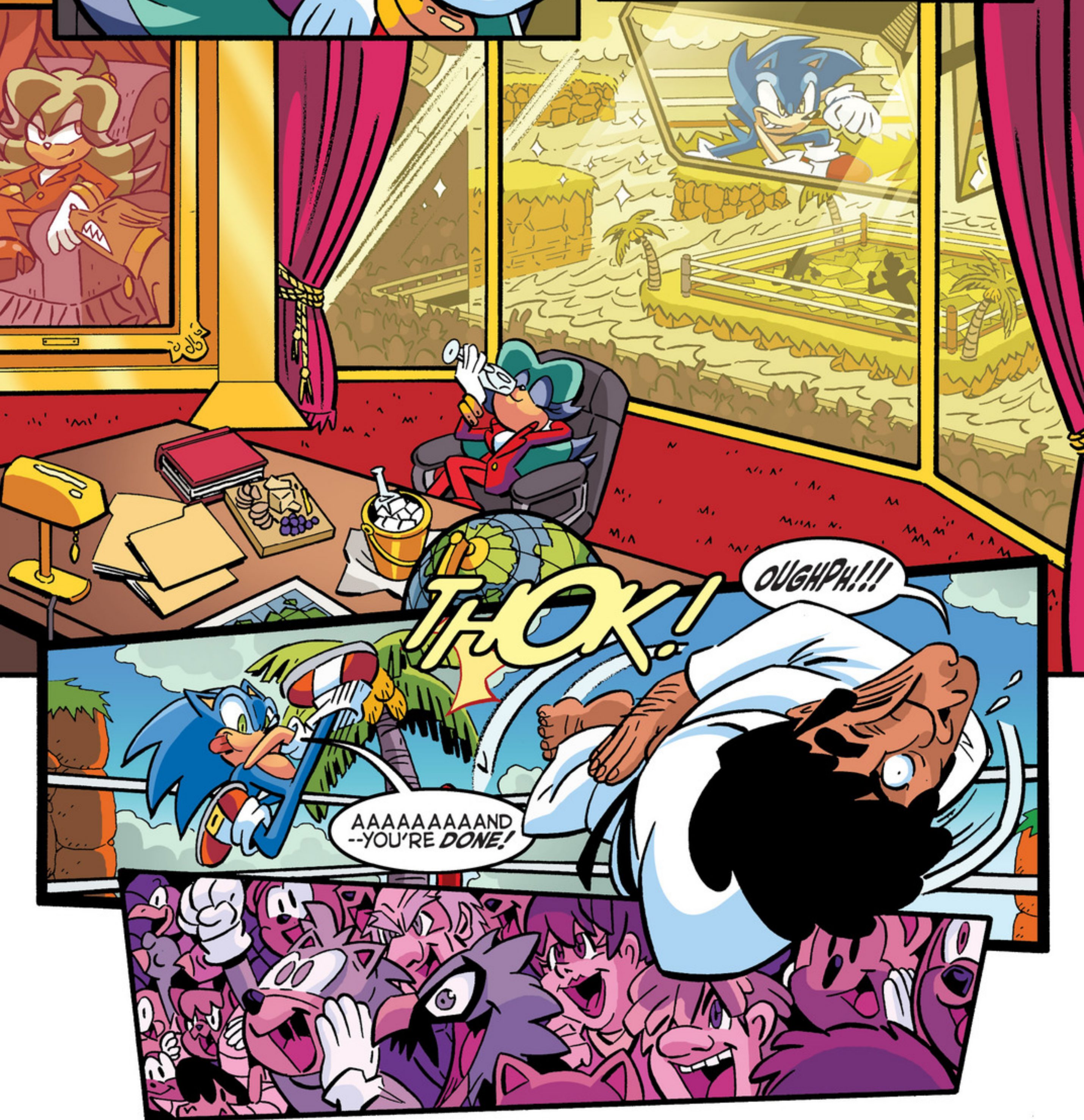


IT'S BEEN FUN, LITTLE BOY-- BUT NOW IT'S OVER!

CASINO
PARK--
TODAY.

...AND THEN HE **STILL**
MANAGED TO SAVE THE
KID AND FOIL THE
DOCTOR. HE REALLY
DID BECOME A
SPECTACULAR HERO.

AND I'M **STILL**
ABLE TO USE HIM
TO MY ADVANTAGE.



AND THE WINNER BY
T.K.O.--**SONIC!**

I HAVE LOST TO
THE SONIC THE
HEDGEHOG. I
FEEL NO SHAME
IN THIS.

YOU FOUGHT
PRETTY WELL,
MISTER. THANKS
FOR KEEPING
THINGS
INTERESTING.

SONIC! SONIC! SONIC!

I GOTTA
ADMIT--
BREEZIE IS
AT LEAST
PARTLY
RIGHT.
GIVING THE
PEOPLE A
LITTLE DIS-
TRACTION
FROM THE
SHATTERED
WORLD IS A
BREAK
EVERYONE
NEEDS.

SONIC!
PSSST!
HEY!

IS YOUR
FIGHT NEXT?

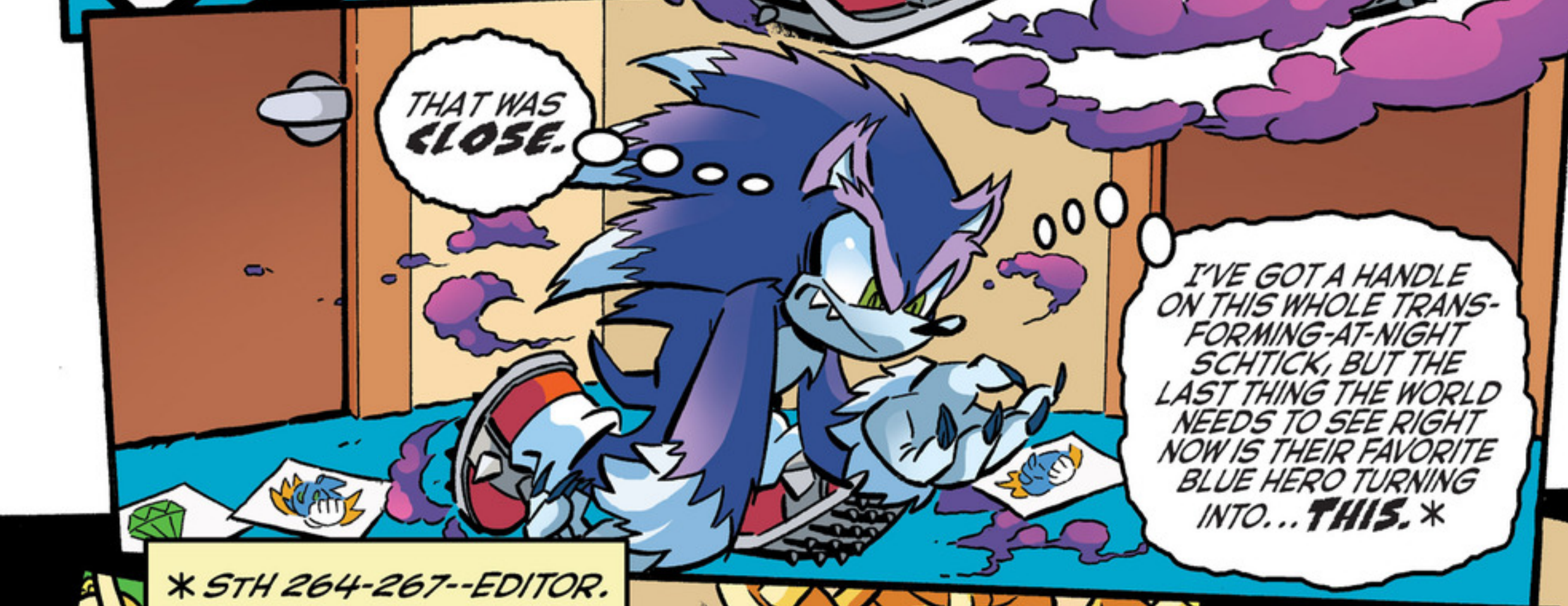
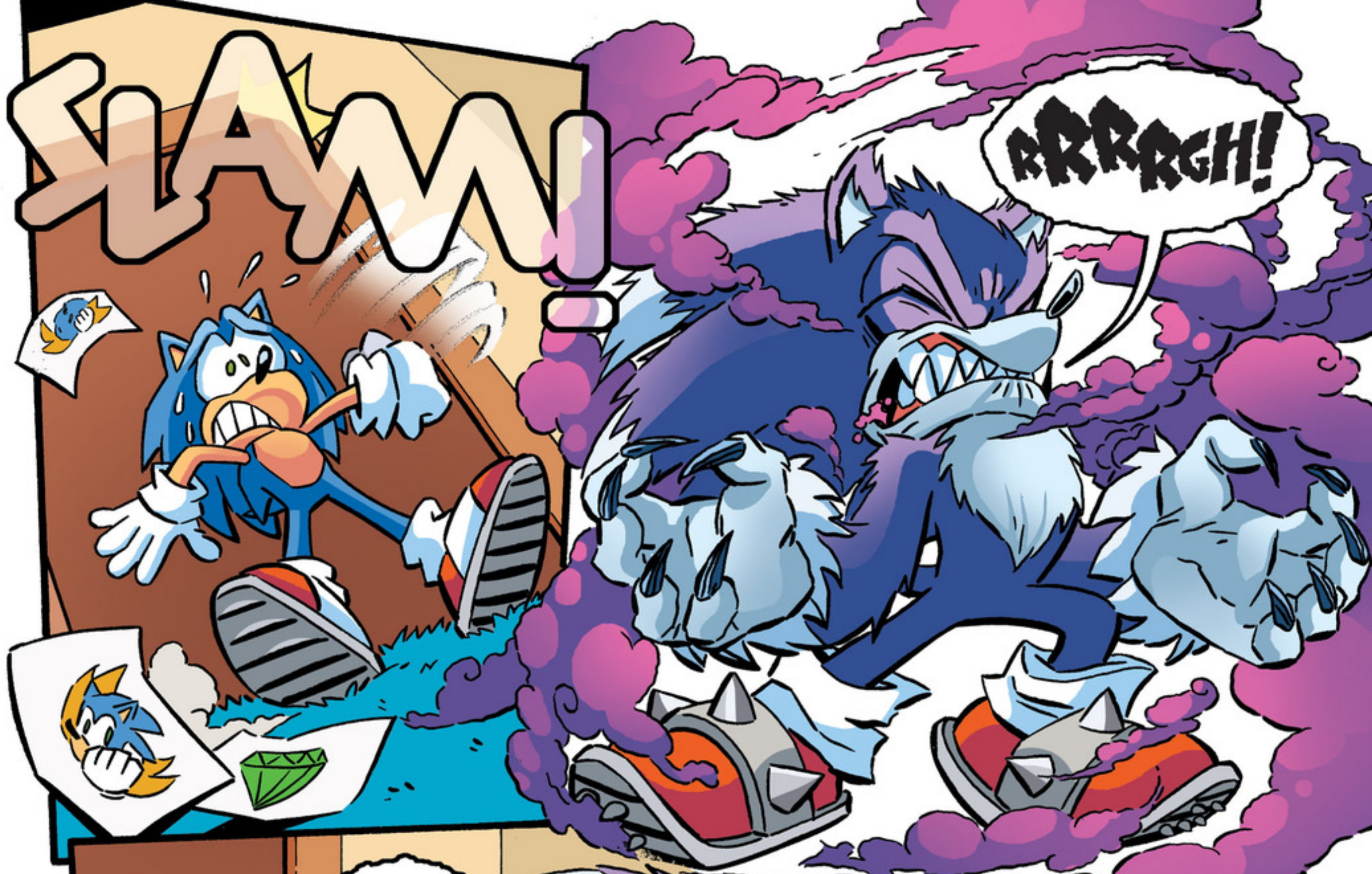
YES, BUT--!

KEEP YOUR
BOOTS ON!
I'LL MOVE IN
A MINUTE.

IT'S
ALMOST
SUNSET!

AMY ROSE
PIKO
HAMMERER

THANKS-FOR-THAT-
AMY-GOOD-LUCK-
GOTTA-GO!



* STH 264-267--EDITOR.



"...I WOULD'VE
LIKED A FEW
MORE FRIENDS
ON OUR SIDE."

ESPIO
CHAOTIX
DETECTIVE

THINGS
ARE GOING
SMOOTHLY. SONIC
HAS WON HIS
FIRST MATCH.

TAILS WILL
FACE HONEY, WHO
APPEARS TO BE AN
ALLY. EITHER VICTOR
IS STILL GOOD FOR
OUR CAUSE.

AND AMY--

YAAAAAA
AAAAAH!

PIKO!

...YEAH, AMY
WILL BE FINE.

THE HOOLIGANS ARE MY
ONLY CONCERN. I'LL BE
FIGHTING BEAN FIRST--
BUT I CAN HANDLE THAT
GABBERING DOPE.

I JUST WISH
I COULD FIND
KNUCKLES...

"...AND LET HIM KNOW I ADDED HIM TO THE ROSTER!"

CASINO PARK--
GAMING HALL...

...AND *THIS* LITTLE NUMBER SET ME BACK QUITE A BIT! IT'S MADE BY THIS *VERY* EXCLUSIVE JEWELER--YOU WON'T HAVE HEARD OF HIM...

ACTUALLY--THAT'S A SHARD OF A LARGER GEM. YOU MUST'VE FOUND IT IN YOUR BACK-YARD OR SOMETHING.

IT BELONGS TO ME. I NEED IT BACK--*NOW*.

KNUCKLES
GUARDIAN ON A QUEST

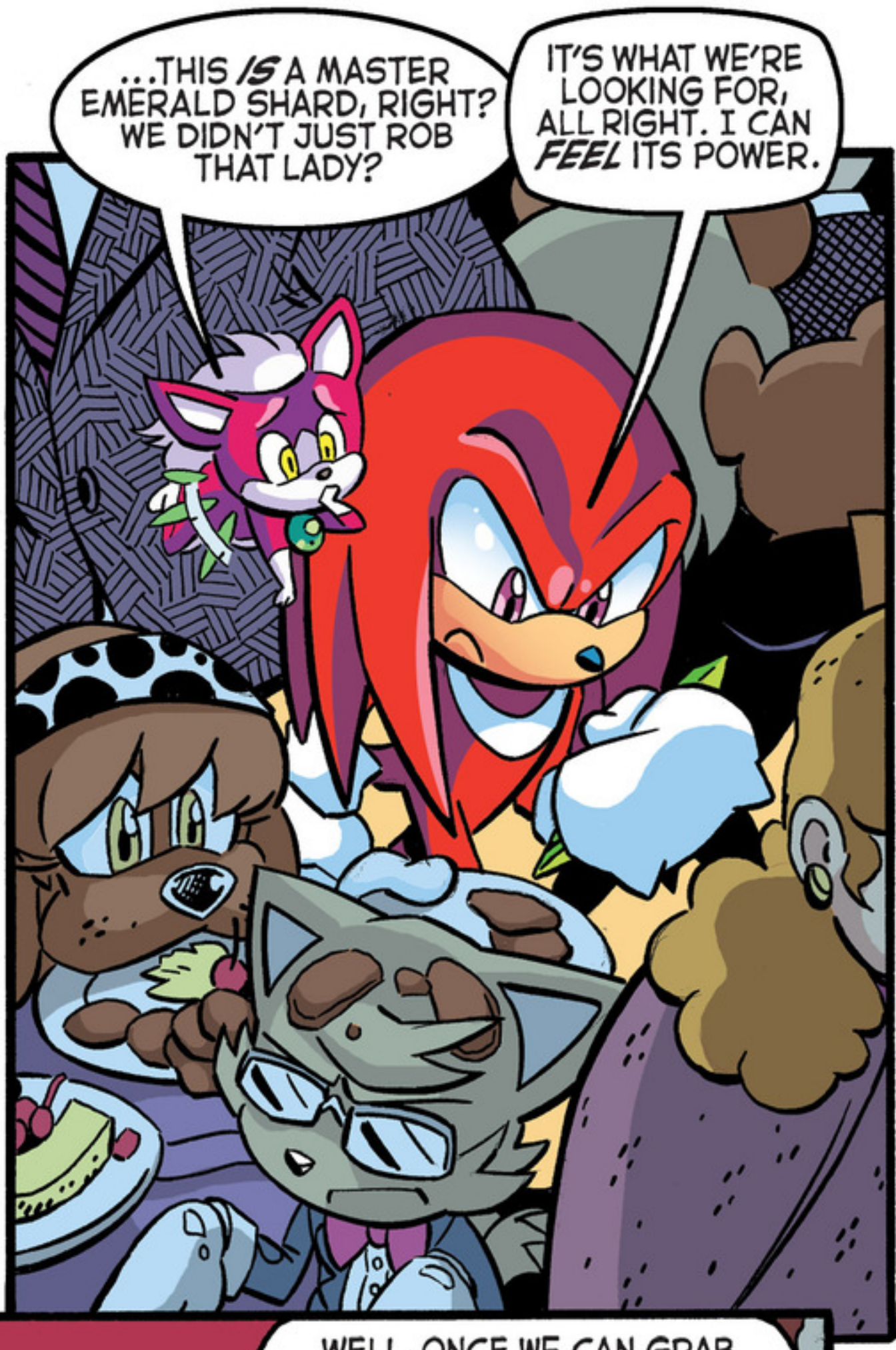
I DON'T KNOW *WHO* YOU *THINK* YOU ARE, *SIR*, BUT I WEAR ONLY THE *FINEST* IN EXCLUSIVE JEWELRY!

EXCUSE ME. I MUST'VE BEEN MISTAKEN.

⇒HMPH!⇒
INDEED!

HONESTLY! THEY SEEM TO LET *ANY* RIFF-RAFF IN HERE THESE DAYS!

CHIP
(SUPPOSEDLY)
GREAT SPIRIT



...THIS *IS* A MASTER EMERALD SHARD, RIGHT? WE DIDN'T JUST ROB THAT LADY?

IT'S WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR, ALL RIGHT. I CAN *FEEL* ITS POWER.



I THOUGHT I WAS SENSING A LARGE CLUSTER OF THEM. BUT NOW THAT WE'RE HERE, I REALIZE I WAS FEELING THE CHAOS EMERALD THEY'RE USING AS A PRIZE.

* KNUX SHATTERED THE MASTER EMERALD IN SU #70--EDITOR.



WELL, ONCE WE CAN GRAB THAT ONE, WE CAN ADD IT TO THE ONE I FOUND IN THE MINES, WE'LL BE THAT MUCH CLOSER TO SAVING THE WORLD!

YEAH... WHICH MEANS WE'RE ALSO THAT MUCH CLOSER TO DROPPING MY ISLAND INTO THE OCEAN...



OH, *NEAT!* ONE OF THE TOURNAMENT FIGHTERS HAS *TWO* TAILS!

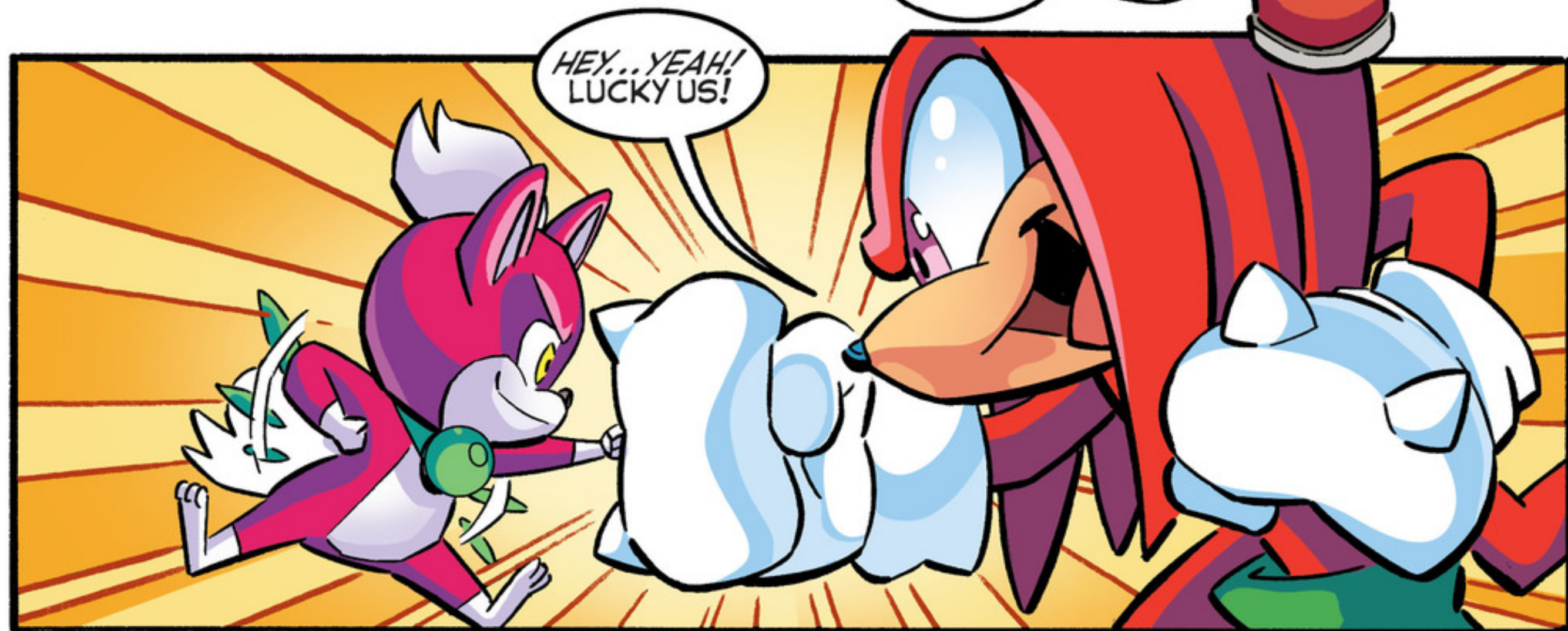
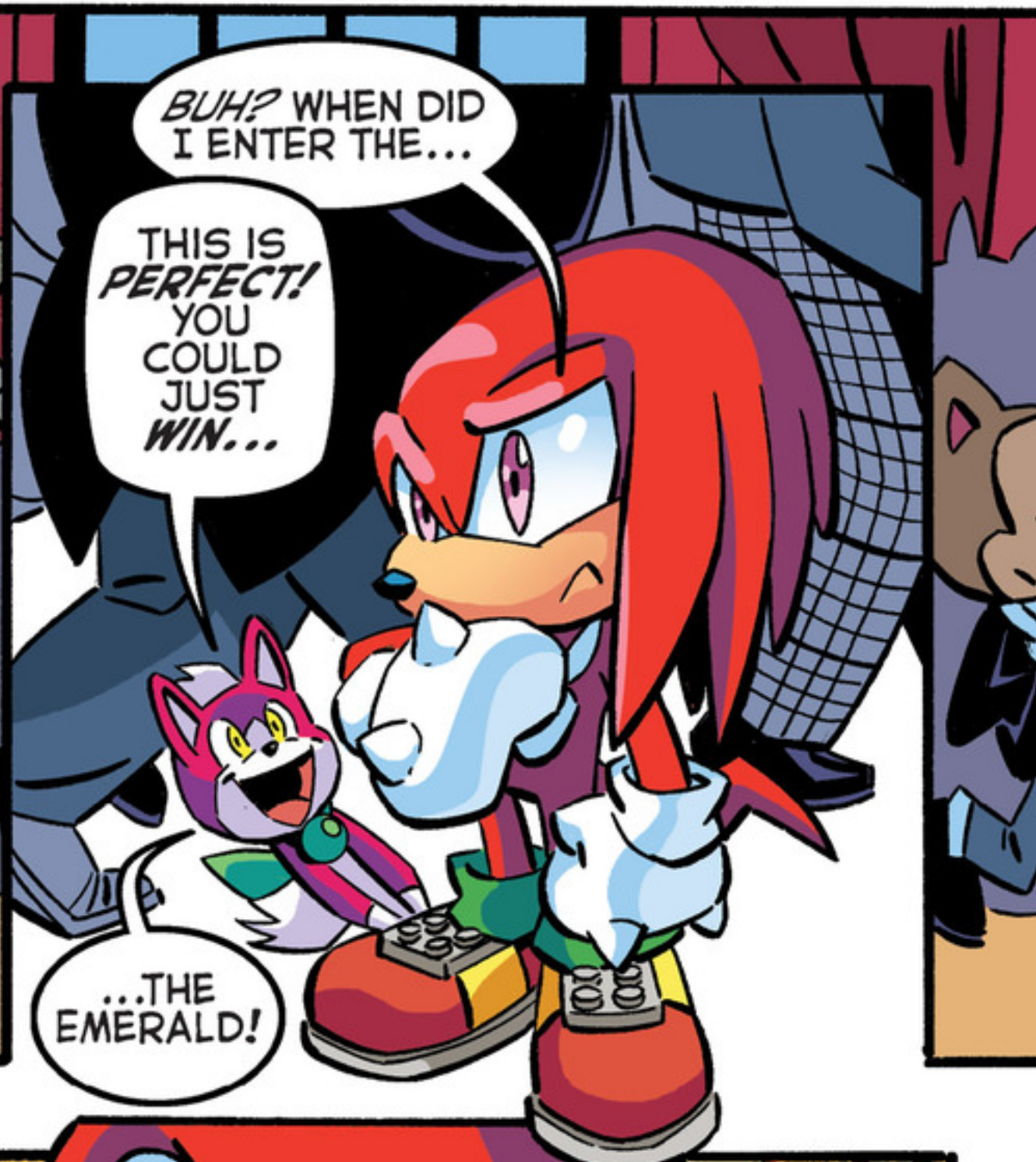
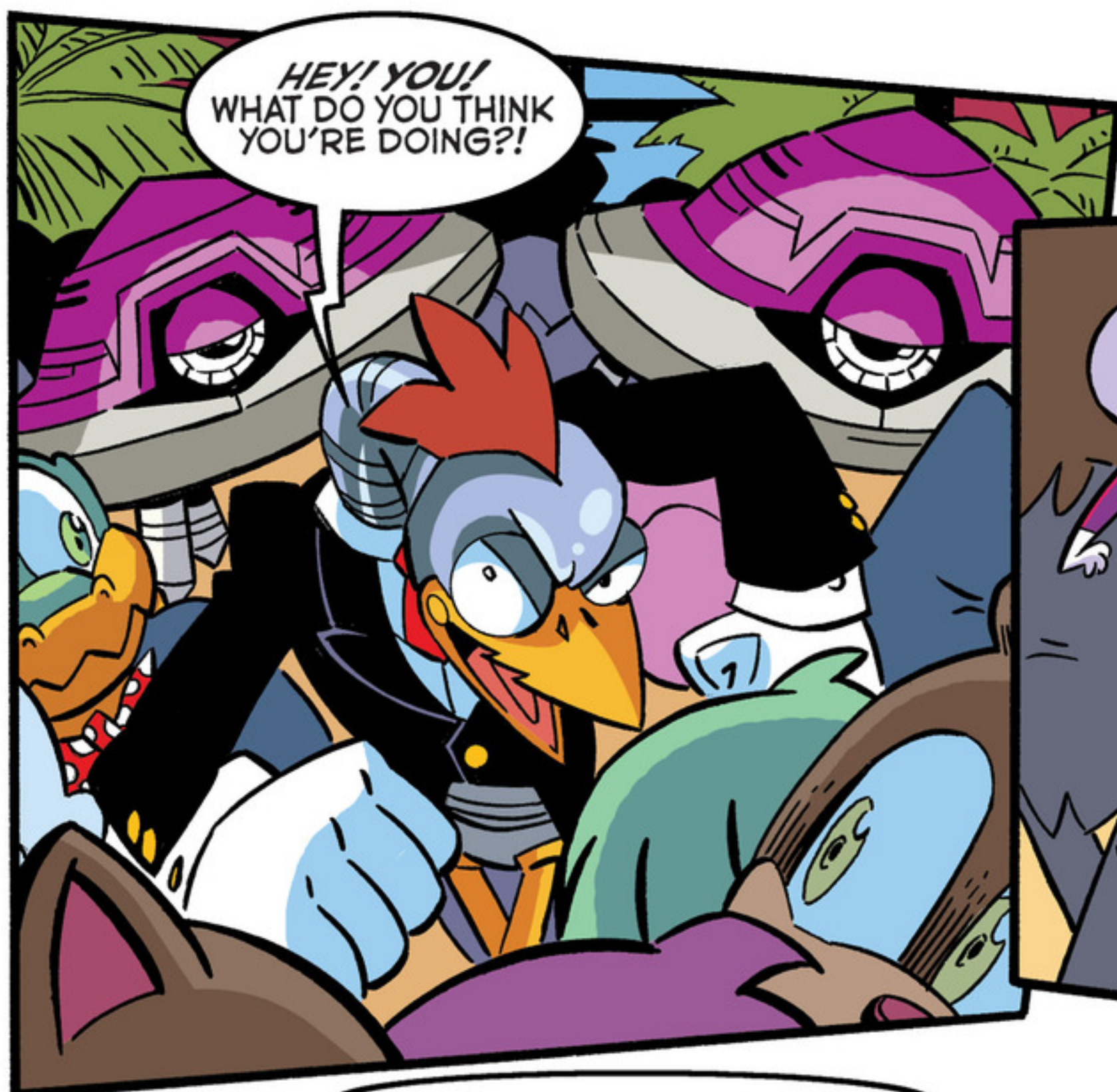
WHAT THE--
TAILS?!

YEAH, THAT'S WHAT I SAID!



IF HE'S HERE, THAT MEANS SONIC PROBABLY IS, TOO. MAYBE WE CAN...

PSST!
KNUCKLES!



FROM THE HEART OF EMPIRE CITY! COMING TO YOU *LIVE* FROM CASINO PARK! IT'S THE NEXT ROUND IN THE CHAOS BATTLE ROYALE!

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM IS BROUGHT TO YOU IN PART BY...

THE MEROPIS TOURISM BOARD! ...WHEREVER *THAT* IS...

HEXACO ENERGY-- BUILDING A BRIGHTER, HEALTHIER TOMORROW!

AAAAAAND METEORTECH --NOW UNDER NEW, NON-EVIL MANAGEMENT! FANCY THAT!

"OUR STATE-OF-THE-ART DYNAMIC ARENA IS GENERATING OUR NEXT BATTLEFIELD, AAAAND--"

"OOH! WE'VE GOT A ROCKY RIVER RIDE! HOW EXCITING!"

WELL--HERE WE GO! GOOD LUCK! LET'S GIVE 'EM A SHOW!

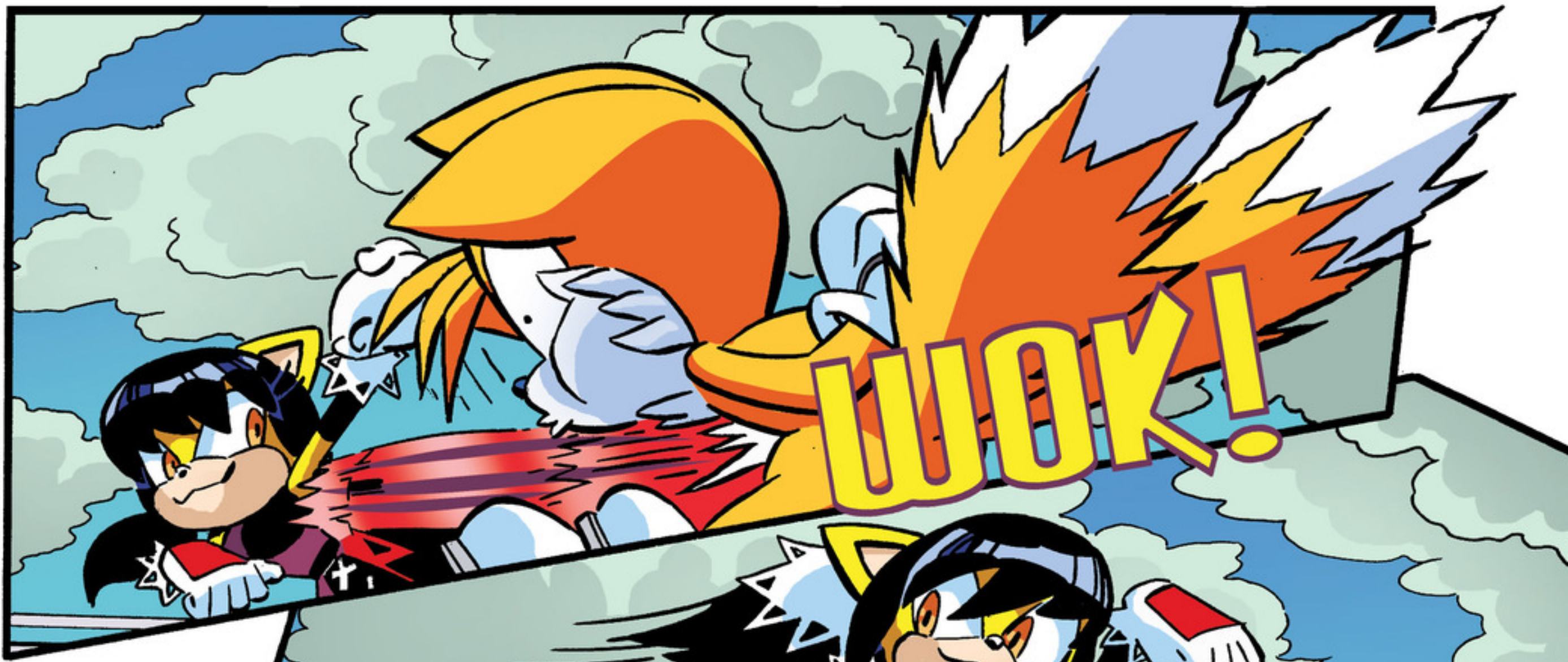
HEH HEH--I'M NOT REALLY MUCH OF A SHOW-MAN. I'M JUST HERE TO WIN THE CHAOS EMERALD AND SAVE THE WORLD.

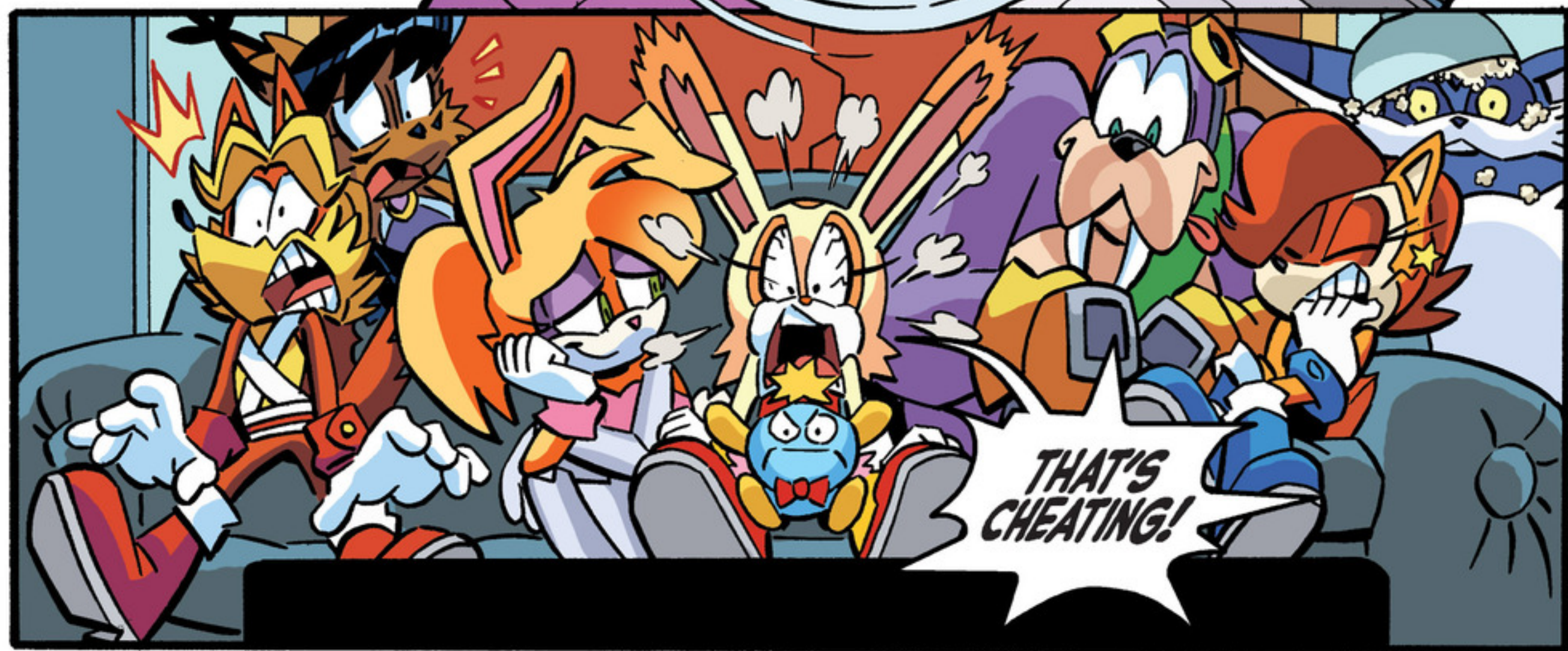
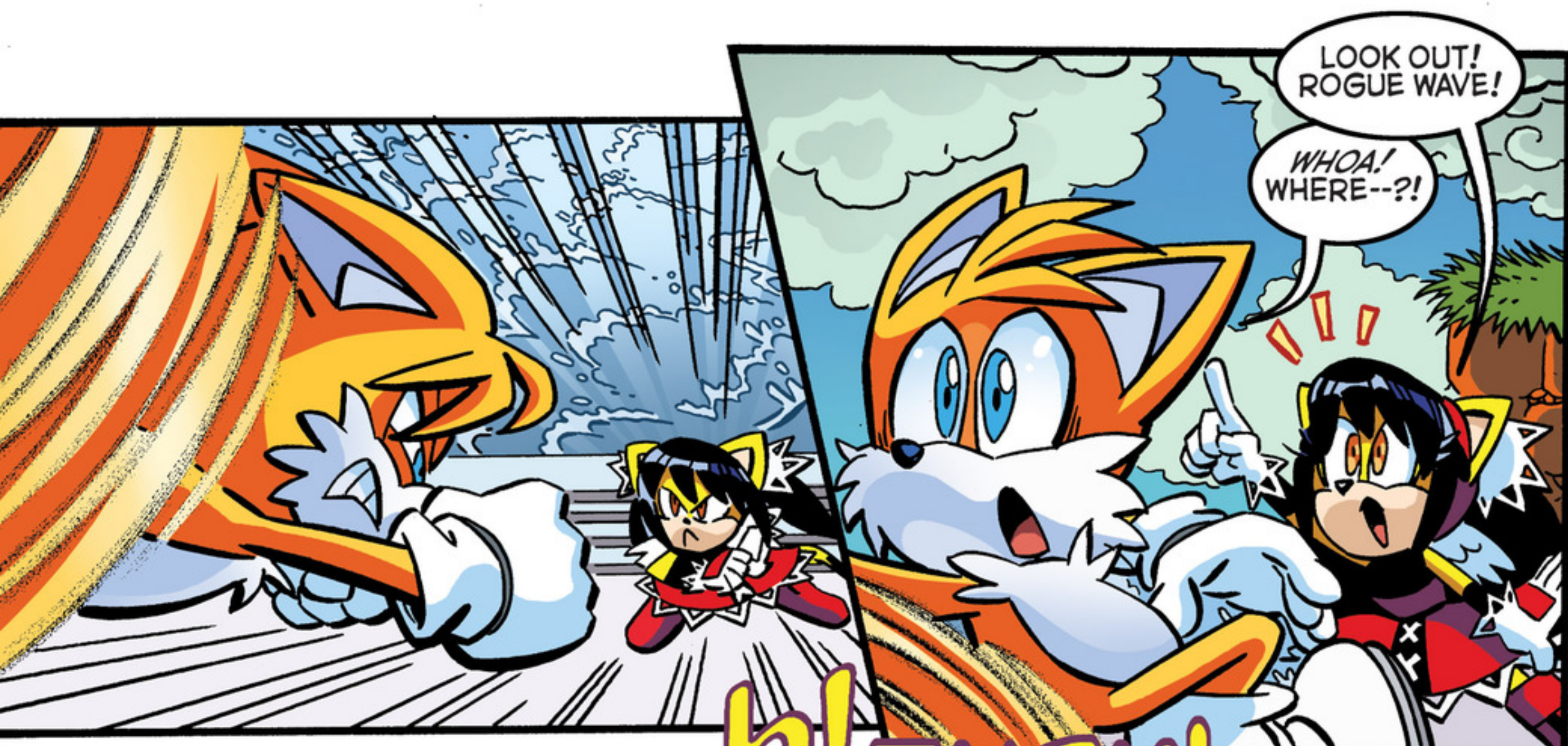
AH, BUT YOU *HAVE* TO MAKE THE CLIENTELE HAPPY...

HONEY BUSINESS-SAVVY FASHION DIVA

TAILS YOUNG GENIUS

Crack!







ROUND 3...

I DIDN'T EXPECT US TO MEET AGAIN SO SOON.

DO I KNOW YOU? THE HORN'S KINDA FAMILIAR, BUT THEN AGAIN, I HANG OUT WITH A LOT OF COAT RACKS.

BEAN
TEAM HOOLIGAN
WEIRDO

IS THIS A JOKE?
PUMPKIN HILL ZONE?
THE MINES?! YOU
TRIED TO LEAVE US
IN A WATERY
GRAVE!*

*SU 63-66--
"THE GREAT
CHAOS CAPER."

OH! RIGHT-
RIGHT-RIGHT
--YOU'RE THE
SAMURAI
LIZARD GUY.

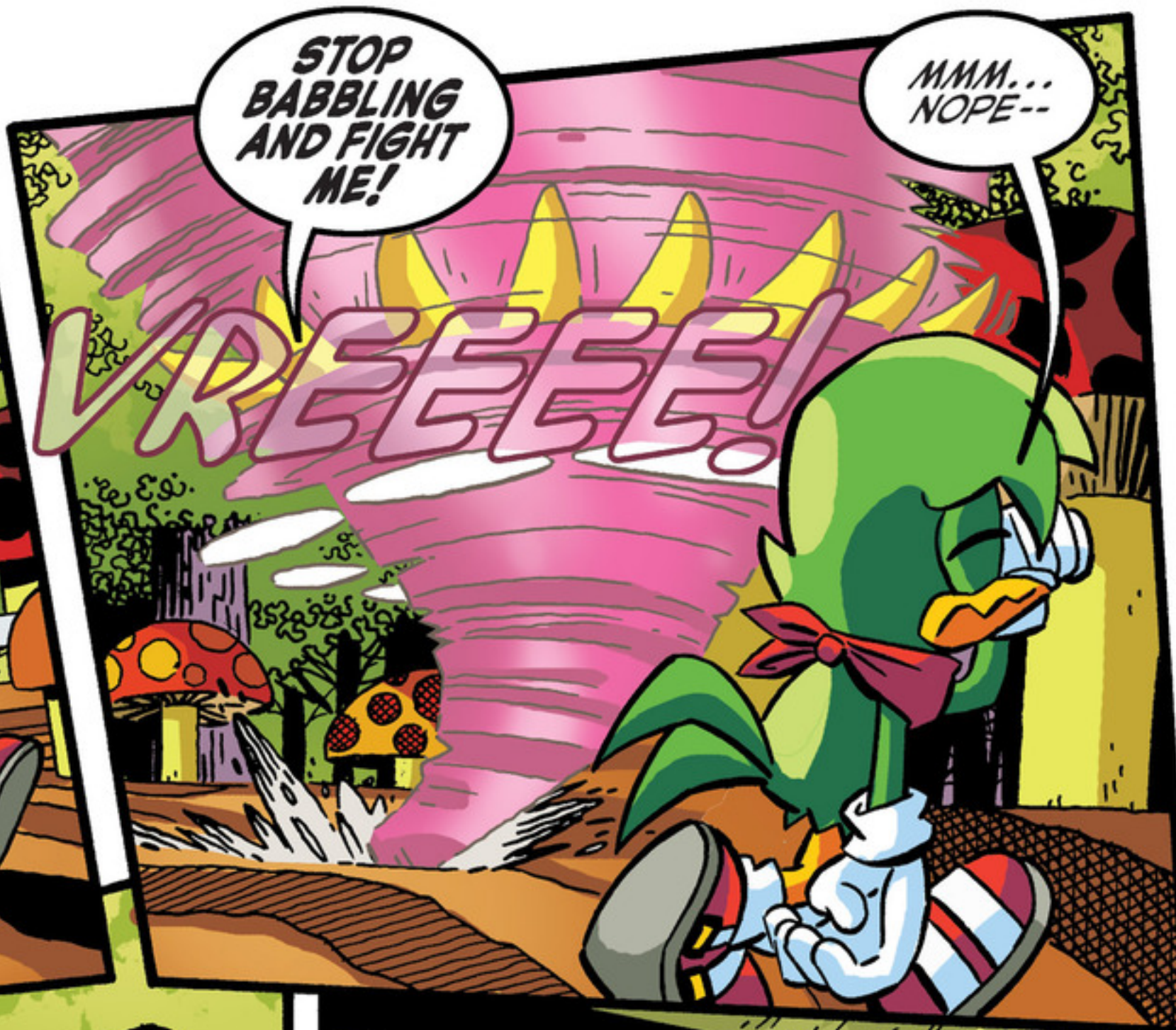
NEEGH...I
NEED MORE
LUMBAR
SUPPORT...

NINJA!
I AM NO
SAMURAI
LAP-DOG!



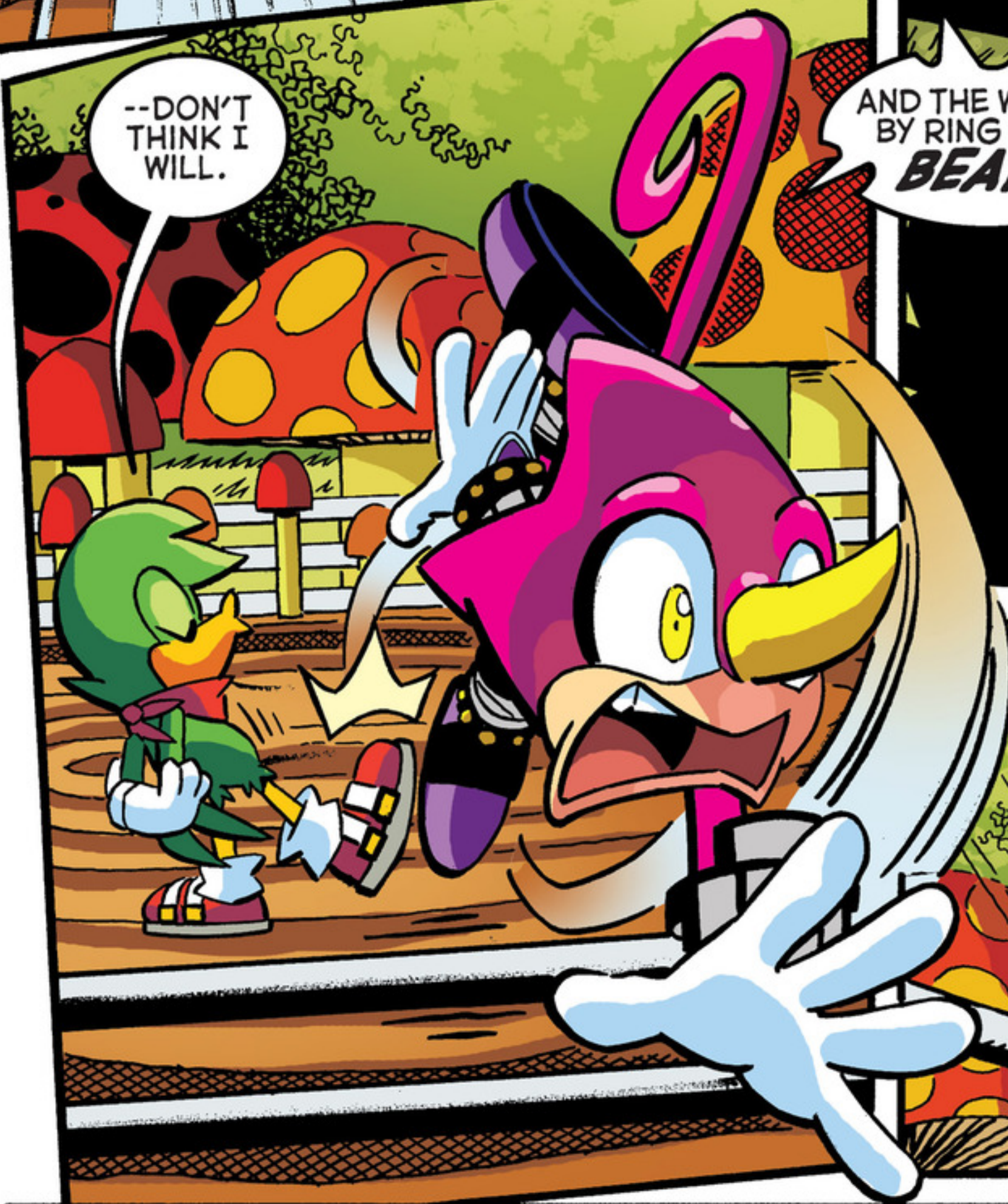


OH, I'D HOPE NOT. YOU'D MAKE FOR A *REALLY* UGLY DOG!

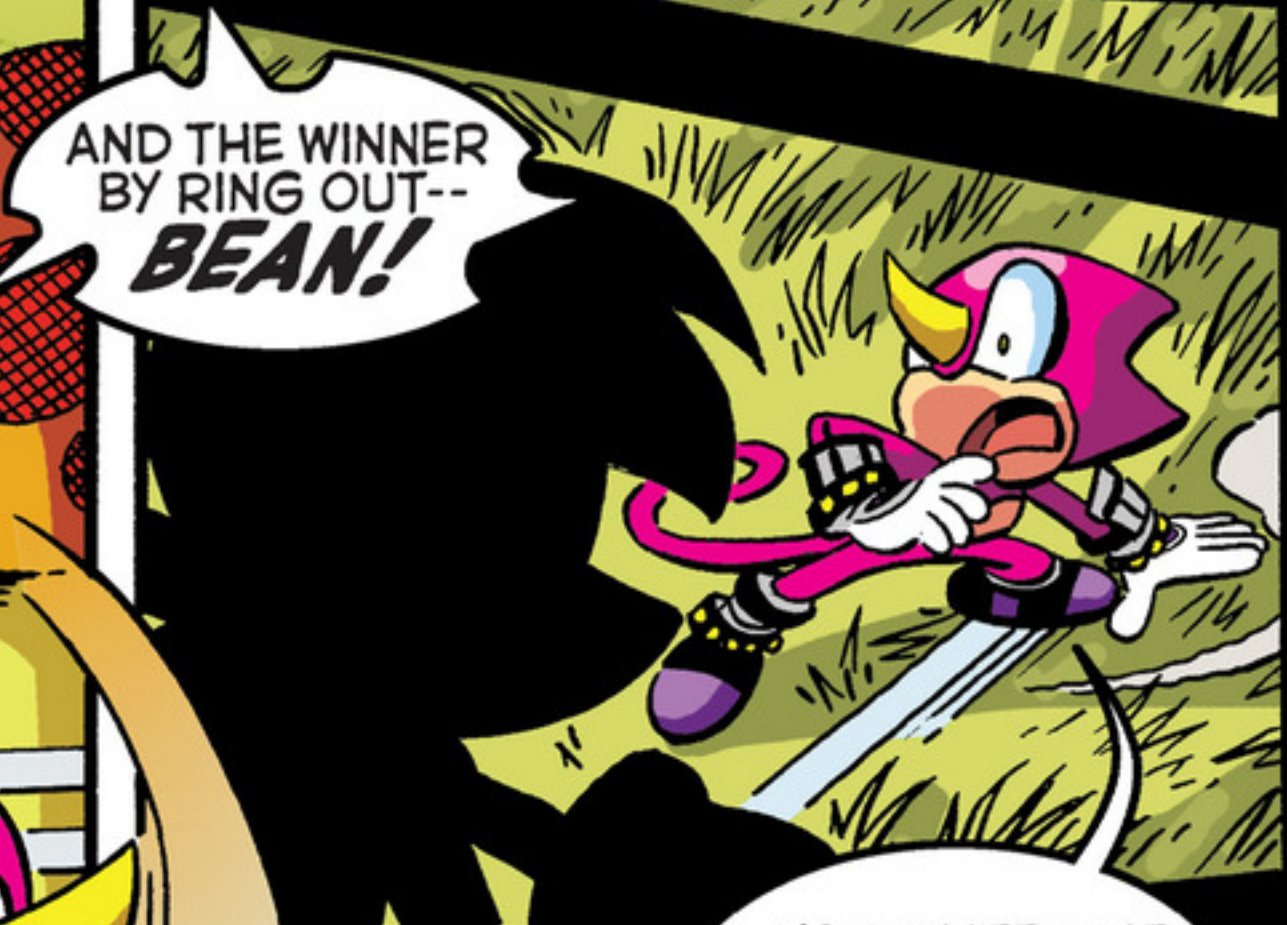


STOP BABBLING AND FIGHT ME!

MMM... NOPE--



--DON'T THINK I WILL.



AND THE WINNER BY RING OUT--
BEAN!



...YOU BAITED ME. YOU WERE PLAYING ME FROM THE START.



SOON--
ROUND 4!

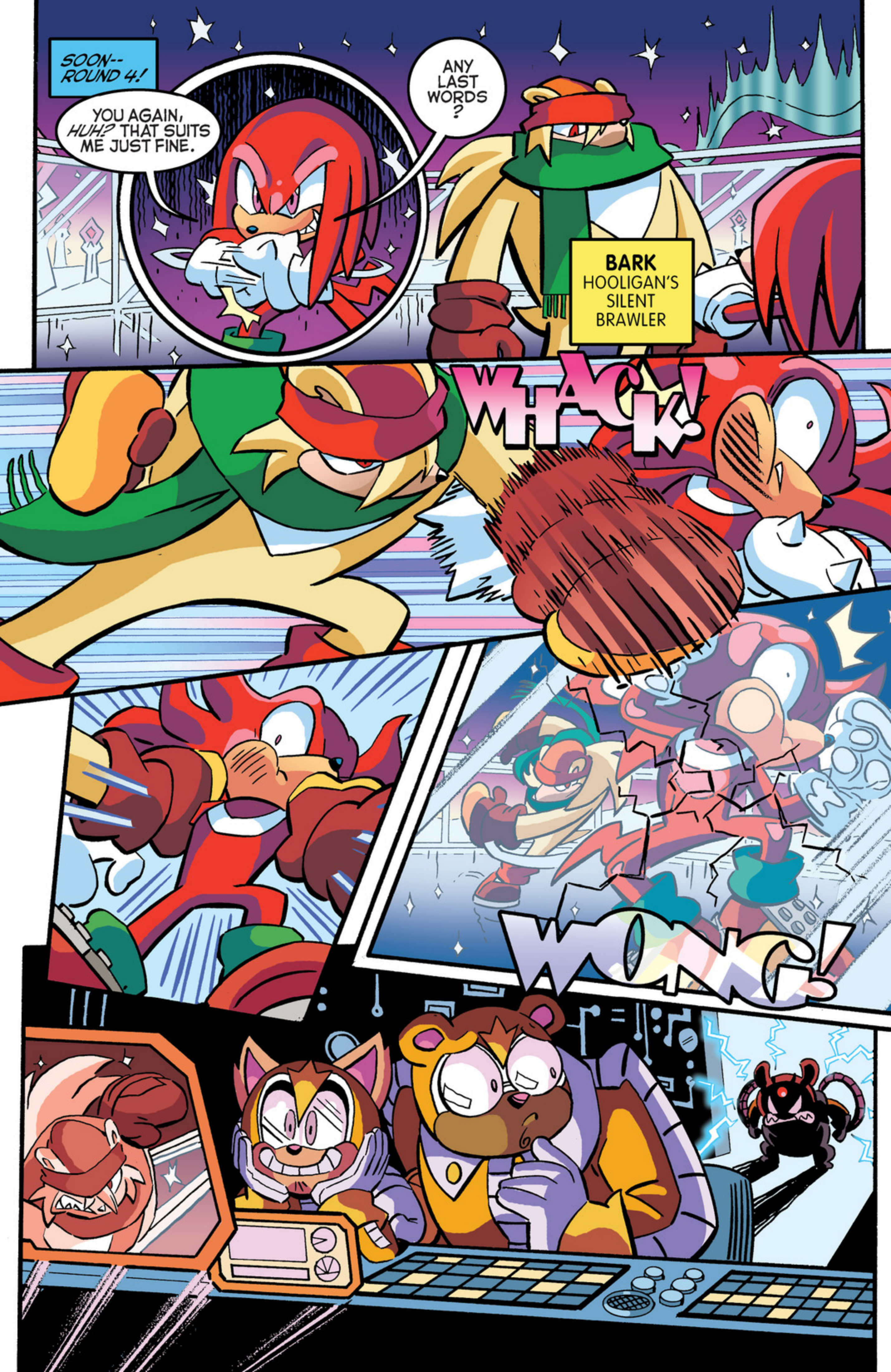
YOU AGAIN,
HUH? THAT SUITS
ME JUST FINE.

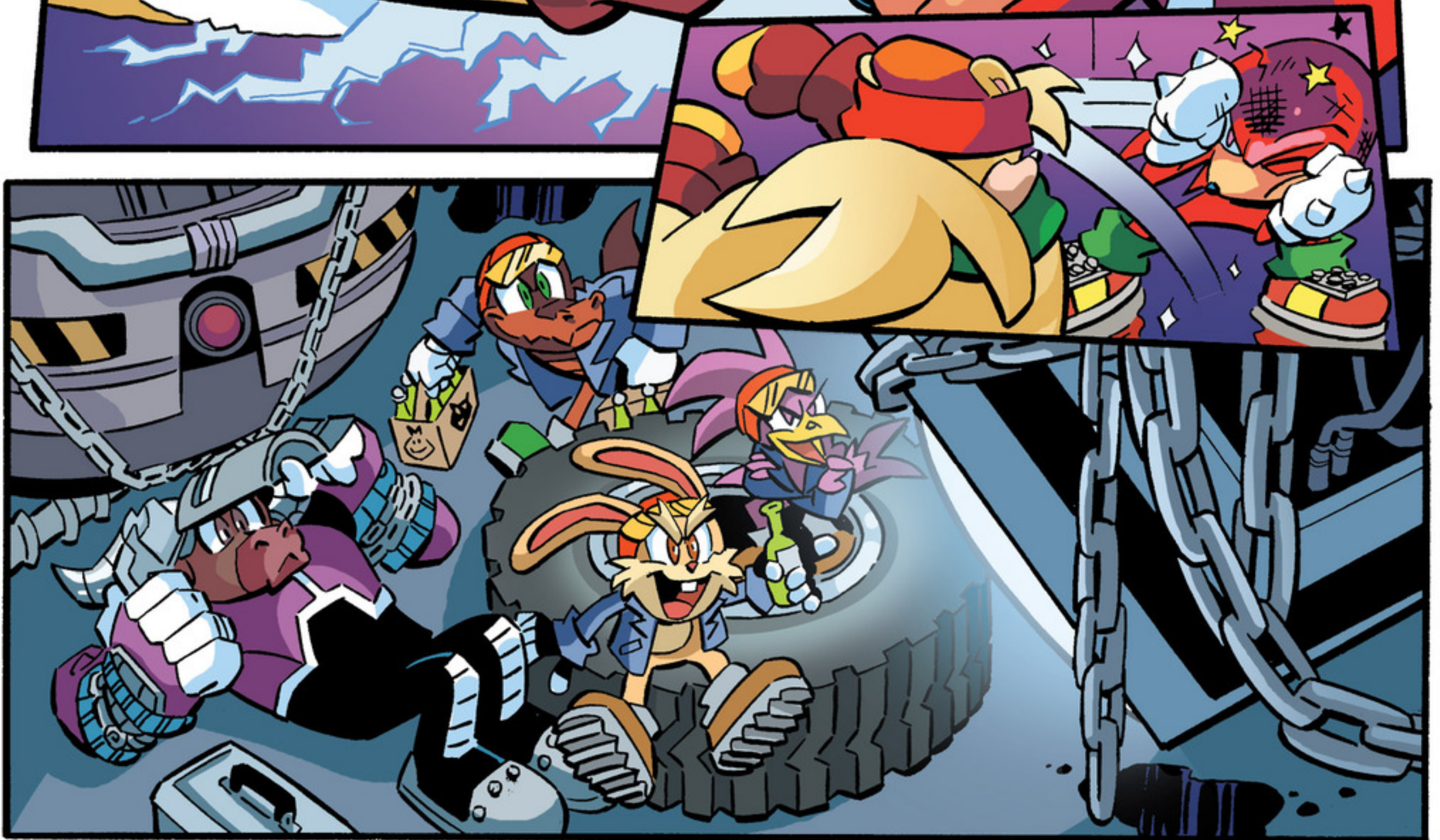
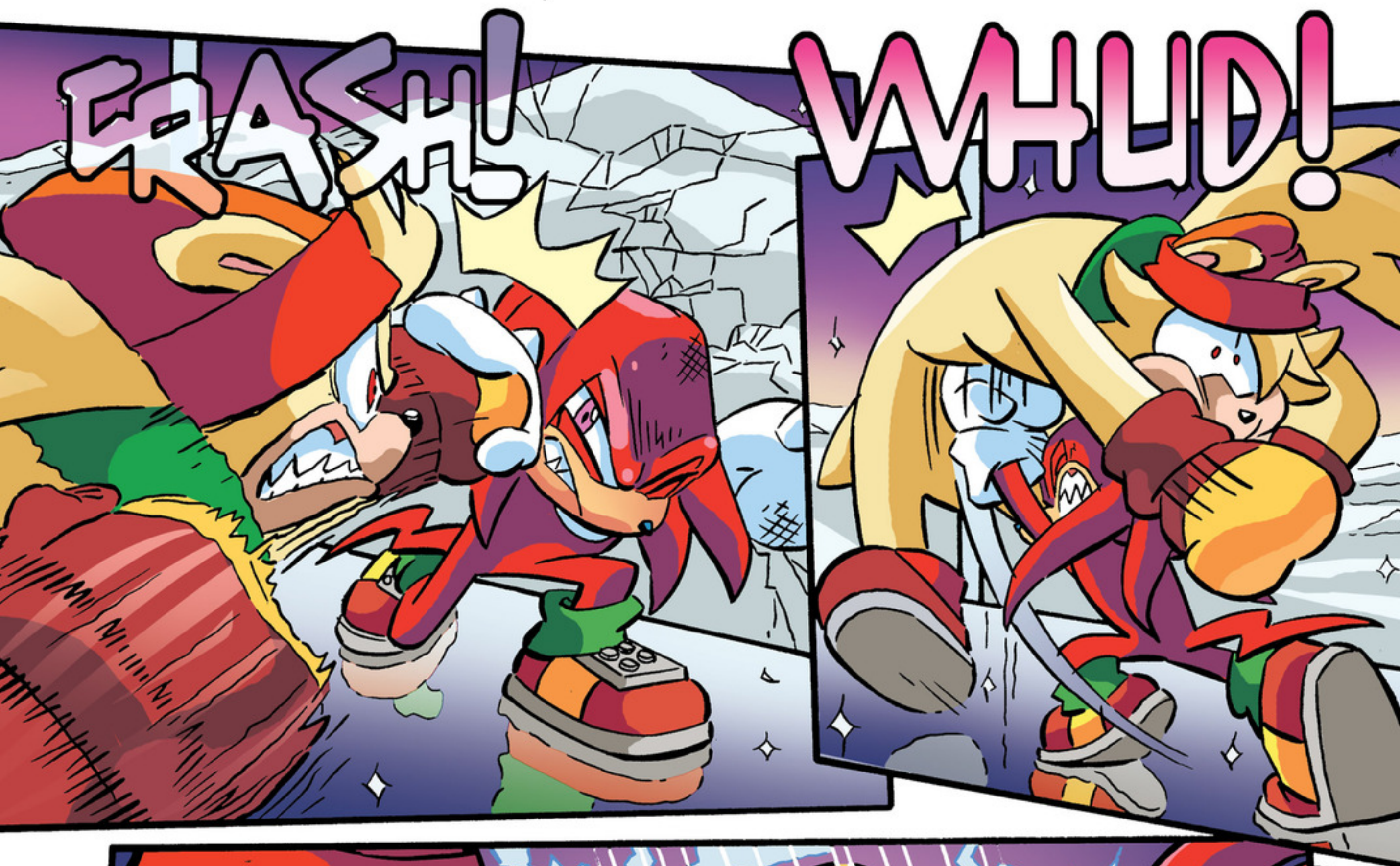
ANY
LAST
WORDS
?

BARK
HOOLIGAN'S
SILENT
BRAWLER

WHACK!

WONK!





pow!

pow!





AND THE
WINNER BY
KNOCKOUT--
KNUCKLES!

WOO!
WAY TO GO,
KNUCKLES!

I COULD'VE
DONE THAT...



OH,
STOP POUTING!
WE DIDN'T EVEN
KNOW KNUCKLES
WAS COMPETING!
THAT'S SOMEBODY
ELSE ON OUR SIDE!
AND HONEY AND I
ARE BOTH
ADVANCING!



YOU GOTTA LOOK
ON THE BRIGHT
SIDE, KIDDO. FOR
INSTANCE, NOW
THAT YOU'RE
ELIMINATED...

...YOU DON'T
HAVE TO FIGHT
KNUCKLES. AMY,
ON THE OTHER
HAND...

WAIT--
WHAT?!
I'M FIGHTING
KNUCKLES?!



YEP...AND I
GET SONIC.

YEAH--DOC? I JUST LOST BARK. AND EVEN THOUGH ME AND BEAN ARE ADVANCING, IT MEANS WE'LL BE GOING UP AGAINST SONIC AT SOME POINT.

YOU SURE YOU DON'T JUST WANT TO MOVE TO THE BACK-UP PLAN? SAVE US ALL SOME TROUBLE?

EXIT

NACK
HOOLIGAN
RINGLEADER

ABSOLUTELY NOT! I WANT THE SATISFACTION OF BEATING BREEZIE AT HER OWN GAME!

BUT IF YOU *FAIL*--THEN AND *ONLY* THEN DO WE START PLAYING *MY* GAME! AND THEN SONIC WON'T BE FIGHTING JUST FOR THE EMERALD--HE'LL BE FIGHTING FOR HIS *LIFE*!

THE **CHAMPIONSHIP** IS IN **FULL SWING!**
WHO WILL BE THE **LAST CONTENDER STANDING?**

UNTIL THEN, THERE'RE MORE SONIC ADVENTURES GOING ON IN

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